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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Shu NAMIKI, et al.

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RAMAN AMPLIFIER SYSTEM, APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING, OBTAINING AND

MAINTAINING AN ARBITRARY RAMAN AMPLIFICATION PERFORMANCE

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Transmitted herewith is an PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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